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sheets, or other documents approved by the Administrator are complied with and the airplane or turbine-powered rotorcraft, including the airframe, engines, propellers, rotors, appliances, survival equipment, and emergency equipment, is inspected in accordance with an inspection program selected under the provisions of paragraph (f) of this section, except that, the owner or operator of a turbine-powered rotorcraft may elect to use the inspection provisions of §91.409(a), (b), (c), or (d) in lieu of an inspection option of §91.409(f).

- (f) Selection of inspection program under paragraph (e) of this section. The registered owner or operator of each airplane or turbine-powered rotorcraft described in paragraph (e) of this section must select, identify in the aircraft maintenance records, and use one of the following programs for the inspection of the aircraft:
- (1) A continuous airworthiness inspection program that is part of a continuous airworthiness maintenance program currently in use by a person holding an air carrier operating certificate or an operating certificate issued under part 121, 127, or 135 of this chapter and operating that make and model aircraft under part 121 of this chapter or operating that make and model under part 135 of this chapter and maintaining it under §135.411(a)(2) of this chapter.
- (2) An approved aircraft inspection program approved under §135.419 of this chapter and currently in use by a person holding an operating certificate issued under part 135 of this chapter.
- (3) A current inspection program recommended by the manufacturer.
- (4) Any other inspection program established by the registered owner or operator of that airplane or turbine-powered rotorcraft and approved by the Administrator under paragraph (g) of this section. However, the Administrator may require revision of this inspection program in accordance with the provisions of §91.415.

Each operator shall include in the selected program the name and address of the person responsible for scheduling the inspections required by the program and make a copy of that program available to the person performing in-

spections on the aircraft and, upon request, to the Administrator.

- (g) Inspection program approved under paragraph (e) of this section. Each operator of an airplane or turbine-powered rotorcraft desiring to establish or change an approved inspection program under paragraph (f)(4) of this section must submit the program for approval to the local FAA Flight Standards district office having jurisdiction over the area in which the aircraft is based. The program must be in writing and include at least the following information:
- (1) Instructions and procedures for the conduct of inspections for the particular make and model airplane or turbine-powered rotorcraft, including necessary tests and checks. The instructions and procedures must set forth in detail the parts and areas of the airframe, engines, propellers, rotors, and appliances, including survival and emergency equipment required to be inspected.
- (2) A schedule for performing the inspections that must be performed under the program expressed in terms of the time in service, calendar time, number of system operations, or any combination of these.
- (h) Changes from one inspection program to another. When an operator changes from one inspection program under paragraph (f) of this section to another, the time in service, calendar times, or cycles of operation accumulated under the previous program must be applied in determining inspection due times under the new program.

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§91.410 Repair assessment for pressurized fuselages.

No person may operate an Airbus Model A300 (excluding the -600 series), British Aerospace Model BAC 1-11, Boeing Model, 707, 720, 727, 737 or 747, McDonnell Douglas Model DC-8, DC-9/MD-80 or DC-10, Fokker Model F28, or Lockheed Model L-1011 airplane beyond applicable flight cycle implementation time specified below, or May 25, 2001, whichever occurs later, unless repair assessment guidelines applicable to the

fuselage pressure boundary (fuselage skin, door skin, and bulkhead webs) that have been approved by the FAA Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), or office of the Transport Airplane Directorate, having cognizance over the type certificate for the affected airplane are incorporated within its inspection program:

- (a) For the Airbus Model A300 (excluding the -600 series), the flight cycle implementation time is:
 - (1) Model B2: 36,000 flights.
- (2) Model B4-100 (including Model B4-2C): 30,000 flights above the window line, and 36,000 flights below the window line
- (3) Model B4–200: 25,500 flights above the window line, and 34,000 flights below the window line.
- (b) For all models of the British Aerospace BAC 1-11, the flight cycle implementation time is 60,000 flights.
- (c) For all models of the Boeing 707, the flight cycle implementation time is 15.000 flights.
- (d) For all models of the Boeing 720, the flight cycle implementation time is 23.000 flights.
- (e) For all models of the Boeing 727, the flight cycle implementation time is 45.000 flights.
- (f) For all models of the Boeing 737, the flight cycle implementation time is 60,000 flights.
- (g) For all models of the Boeing 747, the flight cycle implementation time is 15,000 flights.
- (h) For all models of the McDonnell Douglas DC-8, the flight cycle implementation time is 30,000 flights.
- (i) For all models of the McDonnell Douglas DC-9/MD-80, the flight cycle implementation time is 60,000 flights.
- (j) For all models of the McDonnell Douglas DC-10, the flight cycle implementation time is 30,000 flights.
- (k) For all models of the Lockheed L-1011, the flight cycle implementation time is 27,000 flights.
- (1) For the Fokker F-28 Mark 1000, 2000, 3000, and 4000, the flight cycle implementation time is 60,000 flights.

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§91.411 Altimeter system and altitude reporting equipment tests and inspections.

- (a) No person may operate an airplane, or helicopter, in controlled airspace under IFR unless—
- (1) Within the preceding 24 calendar months, each static pressure system, each altimeter instrument, and each automatic pressure altitude reporting system has been tested and inspected and found to comply with appendix E of part 43 of this chapter;
- (2) Except for the use of system drain and alternate static pressure valves, following any opening and closing of the static pressure system, that system has been tested and inspected and found to comply with paragraph (a), appendices E and F, of part 43 of this chapter; and
- (3) Following installation or maintenance on the automatic pressure altitude reporting system of the ATC transponder where data correspondence error could be introduced, the integrated system has been tested, inspected, and found to comply with paragraph (c), appendix E, of part 43 of this chapter.
- (b) The tests required by paragraph (a) of this section must be conducted by—
- (1) The manufacturer of the airplane, or helicopter, on which the tests and inspections are to be performed;
- (2) A certificated repair station properly equipped to perform those functions and holding—
- (i) An instrument rating, Class I;
- (ii) A limited instrument rating appropriate to the make and model of appliance to be tested;
- $\left(\text{iii} \right)$ A limited rating appropriate to the test to be performed;
- (iv) An airframe rating appropriate to the airplane, or helicopter, to be tested; or
- (v) A limited rating for a manufacturer issued for the appliance in accordance with §145.101(b)(4) of this chapter; or
- (3) A certificated mechanic with an airframe rating (static pressure system tests and inspections only).
- (c) Altimeter and altitude reporting equipment approved under Technical Standard Orders are considered to be